
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, and 5 as set forth below:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An optical disc camcorder ~~comprising~~comprising:
a base plate ~~assembly internally loaded with an optical disc~~ assembly;
a rotary shaft; and
a camcorder main body accommodating said base plate assembly and said rotary shaft,
wherein:
~~wherein said base plate assembly is swingably secured~~ rotary shaft is attached to said
camcorder main body and said base plate assembly is swingably attached along a longitudinal
axis via a horizontal directional of said rotary shaft; shaft so that said base plate rotates
axially about the rotary shaft, and
~~wherein said base plate assembly is provided with a weight is attached to a first~~
portion of said base plate assembly so that the center of gravity of said base plate assembly is
set below said rotary shaft shifted towards the first portion.
2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The optical disc camcorder according to Claim 1,
further ~~comprising~~ comprising:
a locking mechanism for fixedly securing said base plate assembly to said optical disc
camcorder main ~~body whenever necessary.~~ body.
3. (ORIGINAL) The optical disc camcorder according to Claim 1, further
comprising a stopper means for restricting range of swing movement of said base plate
assembly in the periphery of said rotary shaft and also for absorbing shock..
4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An optical disc camcorder ~~comprising~~
comprising:
a base plate ~~assembly internally loaded with an optical disc~~ assembly;
a rotary shaft; and
a camcorder main body accommodating said base plate assembly and said rotary shaft,
wherein:
~~wherein said base plate assembly is swingably secured~~ rotary shaft is attached to said

camcorder main body ~~via a horizontal directional~~ and said base plate assembly is swingably attached along a longitudinal axis of said rotary shaft; ~~shaft so that said base plate rotates axially about said rotary shaft,~~ and

wherein said base plate assembly is provided with an acceleration sensor for detecting degree of acceleration performed by said base plate assembly and a rotation drive mechanism for causing said base plate assembly to be rotated compulsorily in the periphery of said rotary shaft in response to the value detected by said acceleration sensor.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An optical disc camcorder ~~comprising~~ comprising:

a base plate being secured inside of said camcorder main body via damper and fitted with a turn table for rotating an optical ~~disc;~~ disc;

a rotary axial shaft;

a spindle motor for rotating said turn ~~table;~~ table;

an optical pickup ~~system;~~ system; and

a seek operation mechanism provided for said optical pickup system, ~~wherein:~~

wherein said optical pickup system and said seek operation mechanism are mounted on a ~~sub-base rotatably being secured~~ sub-base that is rotatably attached to said base plate ~~with a~~ along a longitudinal axis of said rotary axial shaft; ~~shaft,~~ and

wherein said optical disc is further provided with a skew sensor for detecting skew and a skew correcting mechanism for ~~driving said sub-base to be rotated~~ rotating said sub-base in a direction for canceling an axial direction about the rotary axial shaft that cancels the skew in accordance with an output from the skew sensor.

6. (ORIGINAL) The optical disc camcorder according to Claim 5, further comprising a rotary shaft for correcting skew at an end point of said turn table.

7. (ORIGINAL) The optical disc camcorder according to Claim 5, wherein said skew correcting mechanism controls a position of said optical pickup system so as not to come into contact with an optical disc.